every Police Station. Necessary steps are also taken by superior officers to remedy the defects, if any, pointed out by the Magistracy and Medical Officers.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : Am I to understand from the answer that the local Magistrate also records remarks in the diary kept in the Police lock-ups ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That is not in this answer.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : Mention is made about the local Medical Officer. Am I to understand that the local Magistrate when he inspects the Police lock-ups, also records his remarks ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice. I understand that it is done under orders of Government. There is an order that Magistrates who inspect should record their remarks.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : May I know whether there is any record to show that the local Magistrate inspected the Police lock-up.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : There is a diary in the Police lock-up.

Prisoners in the Police lock-up, Shertallai.

99. **MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Shertallai*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the number of prisoners in the Shertallai Police lock-up at present (28-11-1106) ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : There were 13 prisoners on the 28th Mithunam 1106 in the two lock-ups attached to the Police Station at Shertallai.

Revenue from, and expenditure in, the Shertalla taluk in 1105 and 1106.

100. **MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Shertallai*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the aggregate amount of income to the Government from the various items such as land revenue, customs duty, etc., from the Shertallai taluk ; and

(*b*) what proportion of that income has been spent towards the progress and advancement of the taluk during the years 1105 and 1106, respectively ?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*) The information required is not available, as the accounts of receipts and expenditure are not being maintained for each taluk separately.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : About the aggregate income from land revenue, I think I can get information from the Dewan Peishkar, Kottayam ?

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MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Yes, so far as land revenue is concerned.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): So far as excise revenue is concerned, I think the Excise Commissioner will furnish the information?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): That information will be useless.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Am I to take it that there is no information as to the total income?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): There is information as to the income realised at Arukutti and Velu-thully chowkeys. But the income derived at Arukutti is the customs duty on the produce that is transported to Cochin from Trivandrum northwards. It does not mean that the produce that passes through the Arukutti chowkey belongs to the Shertallai taluk.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Is there not anything to indicate the total income from the taluk of Shertallai?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): It is not possible so far as customs revenue is concerned.

Road from Vazhakulam market to Vazhittala market.

101. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of years since the opening of a road from the Vazhakulam market to the Vazhittala market was sanctioned;

(*b*) whether any work is now (25-11-1106) being carried on; and

(*c*) the length in miles of the said road made fit for cart traffic from the Vazhittala market end?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No estimate was sanctioned for opening a road from the Vazhakulam market to the Vazhittala market. An estimate for opening a road from Vazhakulam to Vazhittala (1st section) was sanctioned four years ago and the work has been now completed.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No road has been opened from Vazhittala end as there is no sanctioned estimate for the same.

Appointment of Medical Officer for the Out-patient Department, General Hospital.

102. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether seniority in service is taken into consideration in choosing a medical officer for the Out-patients' Section in the General Hospital; and

(*b*) whether the person now in charge of that Section is the senior man available for the work?

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